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Subject: Deficiencies for Equipment Abandonment, Task ID #2950, Skyline Mine, Canyon Fuel Company, LLC, C/007/0005

Dear Mr. Sorensen:

The Division has completed a partial review of your amendment to the Skyline Mine Mining and Reclamation Plan (MRP) for the abandonment of 148 shields, submitted on March 13, 2008.

Some deficiencies and additional information remain that must be addressed before the amendment can be determined technically complete and approved. Because the amendment submittal was not complete, all sections could not be reviewed by the Division. Therefore, a list of deficiencies identified thus far is included for your information. These deficiencies do not preclude additional deficiencies identified upon further review of a complete amendment by the Division.

Each deficiency identifies its author by that author's initials in parentheses, so that your staff can directly communicate with that individual should any questions arise relative to the preparation of a response to that particular deficiency. Technical memos prepared by each of the reviewers can be made available upon request.

Please respond to these deficiencies and provide a technically complete and adequate submittal so that we may efficiently process your amendment.

Sincerely,

James D. Smith  
Permit Supervisor

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**Deficiency List**  
**Task ID #2950**  
**Equipment Abandonment**

The members of the review team include:

Wayne Western [WHW]  
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**R645-301-728.320, 728.332, 728.350;** The Permittee needs to contain all evidence and background information suggesting that there will be no probable hydrologic consequences (information from CFC's March 13 and April 4 letters) in the amended MRP pages. The information should also be more specific about what part(s) of the shields will be removed, and what will stay. [DD, WHW]